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Wolfgang MEHNERT et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2832  
Application No. 10/078,540 ) Examiner: L. D. Donovan  
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TERMINAL PART UNIT AND A PROCESS )  
FOR ITS MANUFACTURE )

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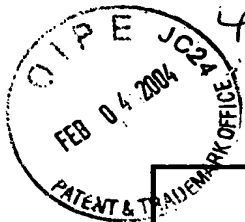
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